

Crop Progress and Condition

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Crops Progressed Well in Eastern Idaho

There were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork, up from 4.9 days suitable last week. In northern Idaho, adequate rains helped improve conditions for grains and pasture. There were some difficulties harvesting hay due to thunderstorms and sporadic showers. Most of the cut hay was rained on. Some of the hay was baled, but the quality would not be as good as anticipated. In southern Idaho, corn grew well last week with the heat. Cereals looked good. There were reports of a little stripe rust. With all of the grains headed, any stripe rust was unlikely to cause much yield loss. The second cutting of alfalfa was well underway. Beans looked good. Low elevation non-irrigated pasture and range dried up quickly. In eastern Idaho, crops progressed well. There were some cool days last week, with 1.5 inches of rain over the weekend, which soaked crops. No significant disease issues were observed.

Better Weather Helped All Crops in Oregon

There were 6.7 days suitable for fieldwork in Oregon last week, up from 6.3 days from the previous week. Conditions were reported as mild, with less moisture and more heat units in Columbia, Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties. Some vegetable fields remained in fallow. Better weather helped all crops. Some hay was baled. Grass pastures were in good shape where managed. Otherwise, pastures were over-mature or over-grazed, but slowly recovering. Some small fruits were sunburned. Irrigation on small fruits, nursery crops, and fresh vegetables were in high gear. Labor for harvest and other crop maintenance remained an issue. Benton and Lincoln Counties had good weather for making hay. Precipitation continued to fulfill moisture needs of current crops with no additional irrigation needed in Clatsop and Tillamook Counties. Several producers already took two cuttings of grass forage. Some corn silage was replanted. In Hood River, Sherman, and Wasco Counties, producers worked hard to get combines and other harvest equipment ready. Cattle were moved to summer pastures. With the drought emergency, grazing opened up for certain Conservation Reserve Program practices. Most crops were doing well in Wasco and Umatilla Counties. Wheat was in soft dough stage and ripening in drier areas. Winter canola was swathed or forced lodged. Green pea harvest was underway. Spring canola and mustard looked good. In Malheur County, warm, dry weather prevailed. Crops grew rapidly. The second cutting of alfalfa stopped due to rain in the forecast. Small grains ripened and most fields were now more golden color than green. Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson Counties had fairly warm to hot weather for baling hay. A lot of hay was cut. Moisture and wind in southern Klamath County gave producers a tough time with the first cutting of hay, which was still being raked due to wind. Hay quality suffered. Potatoes came up nicely, despite the late planting. Crops generally looked good.

Winter Wheat Started to Turn Gold in Eastern Washington

There were 6.6 days suitable for fieldwork in Washington last week, up from 6.3 the previous week. The Puget Sound had continued rain and sunshine with warmer days and nights. Field conditions in western Washington were wet, but improving. The standing water in low areas from last week evaporated this week. Green grain fields turned yellow. Weed control for organic crops was poor. Some corn fields were replanted, while others had not yet been sprayed for weeds. Raspberry harvest started in Whatcom County. Blueberries were ripening and corn was growing well with the warmer conditions. CSA farmers in San Juan County started to irrigate crops. Livestock were on pasture and berry crops were sizing up. Kiwifruit were finishing their bloom. Second cuttings of alfalfa were underway in Snohomish County for silage and baleage. The moisture and cooler temperatures in Okanogan and Ferry Counties helped the small grain crops, but held back the canola crop progress. Low-elevation grasses burned off early in the spring, but mid- and high-elevation grasses were flourishing with the wet conditions. A late spring freeze in Klickitat County left wheat heads short and empty. Daytime temperatures in Yakima County were in the high 90s earlier in the week and then dropped to the 70s on Sunday. Cherry and raspberry harvest was in full swing. Green peas, onions, green beans, and summer squashes were growing. Pend Oreille and Spokane Counties were hot and dry. Producers in Adams County struggled with the windy conditions. The wind caused some stress for the plants and delayed spraying. Weather conditions were favorable for wheat, barley, and peas. Cooler temperatures hampered sweet corn, field corn, dry bean, snap bean, and seed crop development. The hay crop in Columbia and Walla Walla Counties was in good condition, but the alfalfa crop was not keeping up. Winter wheat started to turn color. All wheat and barley crops were heading out.

Pasture, Range, and Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 06/28/20

Crop and State	Very Poor Poor		Fair	Good	Excellent	
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	
Pasture and range Idaho Oregon Washington	- 4 15	1 34 5	15 37 17	62 23 53	22 2 10	
Winter wheat Idaho Oregon Washington	- 2 -	3 17 2	20 30 14	52 39 61	25 12 23	
Spring wheat Idaho Oregon Washington	- 12 -	2 19 6	22 32 9	47 30 64	29 7 21	
Barley Idaho Oregon Washington	- 6 -	2 11 6	32 32 7	42 45 64	24 6 23	
Oats Idaho Oregon Washington	- - -	- 1 -	18 15 8	40 78 64	42 6 28	
Potatoes Idaho Oregon Washington	- 2 -	5 3	7 24 14	75 49 64	18 20 19	
Corn Idaho Oregon Washington	- - -	2 4	7 11 18	83 71 65	10 16 13	
Dry edible beans Idaho Oregon Washington	2	2 2 4	16 13 10	80 62 78	2 21 8	
Onions Idaho Oregon Washington	- 1 -	4 2	12 10	100 60 59	23 29	
Sugarbeets Idaho Oregon Washington	- - -	1 -	8 25 -	70 65 80	21 10 20	
Dry edible peas Idaho Oregon Washington	- 10 -	2 19 -	10 20 9	70 24 78	18 27 13	

⁻ Represents zero.

Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 06/28/20

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington		9 25 23	70 54 68	19 5 2
Subsoil moisture Idaho Oregon Washington		10 26 22	75 47 71	11 2 2

Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 06/28/20

	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat headed	41	30	32	51
Winter wheat headed	96	92	94	94
Barley headed	56	43	40	56
Oats headed	61	47	33	(NA)
Dry edible beans emerged	97	94	91	91
Dry edible peas emerged		94	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	82	76	82	88
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting	11	3	4	14

(NA) Not available.

Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 06/28/20

	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat headed	1	75 - 72	77 - 54	87 1 58
Oats headed. Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	83 90	69 85 3	48 96 8	36 90 17

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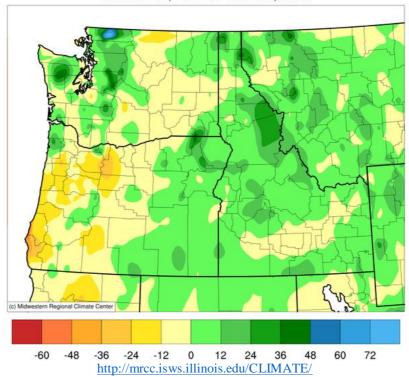
Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 06/28/20

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	Percent completed			
Crop and activity	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat headed	73	59	75	80
Barley headed	81	75	66	73
Oats emerged		89	75	92
Oats headed	49	43	9	(NA)
Field corn silked	18	7	(NA)	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 1st cutting	94	88	97	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 2nd cutting	7	3	46	39

(NA) Not available.

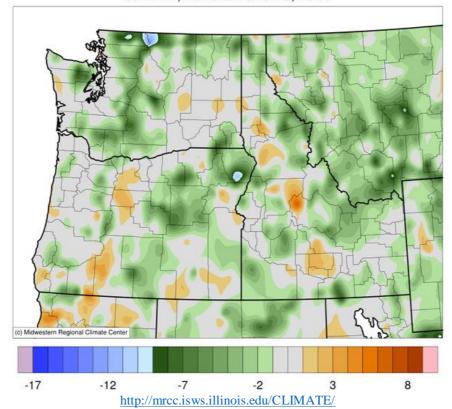
Accumulated Precipitation (in): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

October 01, 2019 to June 28, 2020



Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals

June 22, 2019 to June 28, 2020



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